



Guidelines for *If This House Could Talk . . .* October 1-9, 2011

1. **Draft text** 4-5 sentences max - telling some interesting tidbit - contemporary or historic, personal or public - about your building or the people inside it.

If you want help researching your building, the Cambridge Historical Commission can help. Call 617-349-4683 to make an appointment. You might also check out this on-line archive of Cambridge buildings: <http://hul.harvard.edu/huarc/refshelf/cba/index.html>.

2. **Contact Cathie Zusy** at cathzusy@gmail.com or 617-868-0489 and she will deliver to you a sign, sign post, and balloons. Or, starting September 12, you may pick up a blank sign yourself at the Central Square Library, at the Morse School, or the front porch at 202 Hamilton St.
3. **Copy your text onto your sign**, with your street address at the bottom. Use a permanent marker!
4. **Confirm with Cathie** by Thursday, September 29, so she can add your sign to the official list. Saturday, October 1 sign lists will be available at Dana Park 10am- 5pm and at <http://www.cambridgehistory.org>.
5. **Post your sign** in front of your house/building Saturday, October 1 by 9am.
6. **Remove your sign**, Sunday, October 9 at 5pm.
7. **E-mail Cathie your sign text by October 17th** for the electronic record of the event! All text will be posted to the Cambridge Historical Society website.

The goal of *If This House Could Talk . . .* is to help make residents aware that they part of the continuum of history, and to bring the community together by sharing common stories.

For further information about ITHCT, and the larger October 3rd Celebration of Cambridgeport History, go to www.cambridgehistory.org.

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